

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 4-6, 8-11, 14, 15 and 17-19 have been amended, and Claim 20 has been added, herewith. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 102, Anticipation

The Examiner previously rejected Claims 1, 4, 6, 9-11, 15, 18 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kleinschidt (US 6,085,112). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent Claims 1, 6, 11 and 15 have been amended to expressly recite use of a telephone as being the telecommunication used for receiving (Claims 1 and 11) and sending (Claims 6 and 15) concurrent transmissions, where one of the concurrent transmissions pertains to transmission of textual based personal identification data. The cited reference only contemplates use of a separate high-speed network connection for transmission of video images, which does not convey any type of textual based personal identification information – either through use of a common communication link, or otherwise.

Independent Claim 19 has been amended to recite use of a common channel of a communication link for the concurrent transmissions, the communication transmission and the second transmission being sent using different frequency ranges within such common channel.

Therefore, the rejection of Claims 1, 4, 6, 9-11, 15, 18 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) has been overcome.

II. 35 U.S.C. § 103, Obviousness

The Examiner previously rejected Claims 2, 7, 12 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kleinschidt (US 6,085,112) in view of Moon (US 6,157,954) and further in view of IMC (“vCard Overview”, Internet Mail Consortium whitepaper, 1998). This rejection is respectfully traversed for similar reasons to those given above with respect to Claim 1.

Therefore, the rejection of Claims 2, 7, 12 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) has been overcome.

III. Conclusion

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is patentable over the cited references and is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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